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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Continuation of Appln. No.: 09/670,582

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For: PROSTACYCLIN SYNTHASE DERIVED FROM HUMAN

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE TITLE:

Please delete the present title and replace it with the following new title:

Prostacyclin Synthase Derived from -- ANTIBODIES SPECIFIC TO HUMAN PROSTACYCLIN SYNTHASE--

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This Application is a continuation Application of U.S. Application No. 09/670,582 filed September 27, 2000, in turn a continuation Application of Application No. 09/037,758, filed January 10, 1998 (now abandoned), which in turn is a divisional application of U.S. Application